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| <b>Office Action Summary</b> | <b>Application No.</b> | <b>Applicant(s)</b> |  |
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|                              | <b>Examiner</b>        | <b>Art Unit</b>     |  |
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### Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) OR THIRTY (30) DAYS, WHICHEVER IS LONGER, FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133). Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

### Status

- 1) ☐ Responsive to communication(s) filed on \_\_\_\_.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**.                      2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

### Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-9 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) 5-9 is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-4 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

### Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 04 March 2004 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.  
    Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).  
    Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

### Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All    b) ☐ Some \*    c) ☐ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- \* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

### Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)  | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)<br>Paper No(s)/Mail Date. ____. |
| 2) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)                                   | 5) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)             |
| 3) <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)<br>Paper No(s)/Mail Date ____. | 6) <input type="checkbox"/> Other: ____.  |

**DETAILED ACTION**

***Election/Restrictions***

Applicant's election without traverse of claims 1-4 in the reply filed on 08/11/05 is acknowledged.

***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102***

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

Claims 1, 2, 3, and 4 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Nagai et al. (US publication 2002/0113246).

With respect to claim 1, Nagai et al. teach a terminal structure of a multi-layer substrate comprising (see figs. 15A-15B and associated text):

A plurality of terminals formed on at least two adjacent substrate layers, each of the terminals being spaced from adjacent ones to a predetermined interval; and

Openings formed in at least of the substrate layers, each of the opening being formed between each adjacent ones of first terminals in the at least one substrate layer, spaced from the each first terminals to a predetermined gap, and having a size same as that of the first terminals,

Wherein the substrate layers are stacked one atop another and compressed together so that second terminals formed on at least one corresponding substrate

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layer are projected to a plane of outermost substrate layer on which corresponding terminals are formed.

With respect to claim 2, Nagai et al. teach a terminal structure of a multi-layer substrate comprising (see figs. 15A-15B and associated text):

A first substrate layer having a plurality of first terminal arrayed on one side thereof, each of the first terminals being spaced from adjacent ones to a first predetermined interval, and openings formed alternating with the first terminals, each of the openings having a size at least same as the terminals and spaced from adjacent ones of the first terminals to a predetermined gap; and

A second substrate layer stacked on the first substrate layer, and having a plurality of second terminals arrayed on one side of the second substrate layer contacting the first substrate layer in positions corresponding to openings, each of the second terminals being spaced from adjacent ones to a second predetermined interval,

Wherein the first and second substrates are stacked on each other and compressed together so that the second terminals on the second substrate layer are projected to a plane of the first substrate layer on which the first terminals are formed.

Further with respect to claim 2, the limitation "a second substrate layer stacked on the other side of the first substrate layer" is a process or and/or product-by-process limitation which does not produce differences in the final device hence, it has not been given patentable weight.

With respect to claim 3, Nagai et al. further teach the second terminals have a width which is at least same as that of the first terminals.

With respect to claim 4, Nagai et al. further teach the second substrate layer comprises at least two sub-layers, and wherein the terminals formed on the first substrate and the at least two sub-layers are not overlapped with one another.

***Conclusion***

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Long Pham whose telephone number is 571-272-1714. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Frid, 10am to 5pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Wael Fahmy can be reached on 571-272-1705. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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